implementation strategies, with a view to improve the quality of the programme.

(b) Recognising the shift in the trend from activities under primary sector to activities under secondary and tertiary sectors amongst Integra ted Rural Development Programme (IRDP) beneficiaries as well as the need to consolidate it, the role of rural industrialisation and linking of TRY-SEM with industrial opportunities has been ©mphasised. The elements of new strategy include:—

(i) setting up of resource base industries such as fruit and food processing units and the development of horticulture, vegetable growing, prawn and fish farming, tea cultivation etc. through IRDP loaning;

(ii) identification of strong pur-veyours of demand in the public sector and to encourage supply against such demand from production groups, set-up under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IPDP) for items like uniform required for defence and police personnel or school children and items required for Operation Black-board, Operation Flood-Ill and nursery raising for social forestry etc;

(iii) off-loading of ce'rtain lines of production with high labour content to rural production groups to be set up with IRDP beneficiaries through suitable fiscal and financial measures;

(iv) encouragement for setting up of Small Scale Industries in Rural Growth Centres.

(c) and (d) Integrated Rural Deve lopment Programme (IRDP) is an on going programme being implemented by the State Governments. The im plementing agencies i.e. the State Governments, have been urged to diversify from predominantly primary sector- activities with clearly identified backward and forward linkages.

Damage in flood protected areas

♦168. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether out of about 3.5 crore hectares of flood-prone areas in India, about 1.3 crore hectares have been provided with long-term measures of protection; if so, whether in the year 1986-87 there has been damage due to floods in such protected areas and

(b) if so what was the extent of such damage and the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARA-NAND): (a) Yes, Sir; in some protected areas

(b) Such information is not available. The reasons for such damages are *inter-alia* occurrence of unprece dented floods, increased economic activities and constructions in the flood prone areas and lack of proper maintenance of protection works.

Enquiry against former Chairman of FCI

*171. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA; Will the Minister of FOOD AND CTVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the CBl had registered a case against former Chairman of Food Corporation of India, New Delhi, for the tenders floated by the FCI for the purchase of Dal recently;

(b) whether the CBI has since completed its enquiry and if so the details of its report and whether any action has been taken against him; and